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TO: Individuals and Organizations Concerned with Bicycle Legislation

FROM: The Office of Senator William L. Saltonstall

RE: Status of Bicycle Legislation

The present score on bicycle legislation is one bill killed, one bill pending and one bill close to final passage.

H. 6571, the bicycle registration bill, was killed in a study package.

H. 6572, the rules of the road and equipment bill, was placed in a House Ways and Means study due to a provision that could involve additional costs to the state, namely, supplying bicycle dealers with bicycle safety information. Senator Saltonstall removed this provision from the bill in the Senate. He also amended the bill to allow cyclists training for races to ride two abreast with the permission of local police departments (see line 87) and replaced the word "may" with the word "shall" in line 14. The bill was renumbered S. 1847 and was passed to be engressed in the Senate on August 6th. It now goes to the House. This is the time to alert your state representative and to write or telegraph the Speaker of the House, the Honorable David M. Bartley, to express your interest in the bill.

S. 883, the non-criminal ticketing bill for bicycle violations, is presently on the Governor's desk.